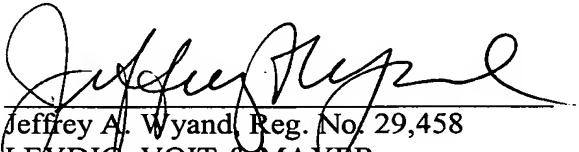


*REMARKS/ARGUMENTS*

In response to the Office Action mailed February 28, 2006, Applicants elect claims 3-6, directed to a semiconductor optical device, for examination. In view of the election, an appropriate amendment of the title is made.

Prompt and favorable examination of claims 3-6 is earnestly solicited.

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